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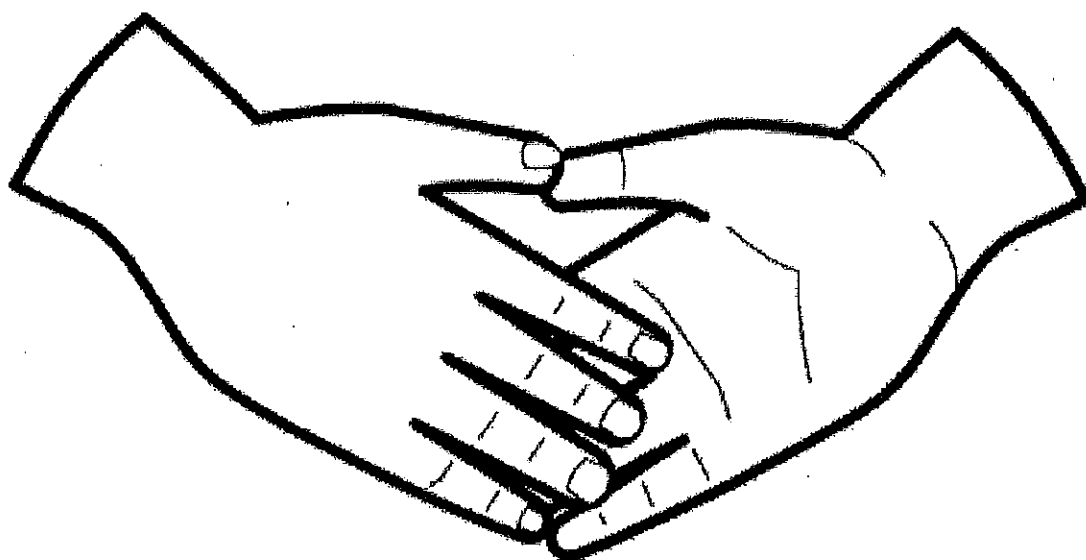
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Reading and Writing Go Hand In Hand

Spring 2014



Dear Families of Reading Clinic Participants:

The time we have spent together this semester in the UNI Reading Clinic has been an exciting time of teaching and learning. The tutors, supervisors, and instructors have enjoyed working with your children. Their great attitude, work ethic, and smiles made the time a worthwhile adventure.

All of us at the Reading Clinic hope that you enjoy reading the pieces submitted to this anthology. The children have worked diligently on their writing throughout the semester and selected pieces that they wished to share with all of you. Their hard work and creativity is appreciated and is evident in the pieces included in this booklet.

Again, thank you for the privilege of teaching your children. It has been a joy for all of us. Best wishes for your child's continued progress in and pleasure with reading and writing!

Sincerely,

The UNI Reading Clinic

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Fluffy

First Grade

Fluffy is a white dog. The owner's name is Emily Garman. Emily is a great owner. Fluffy is a girl dog and she can't hear. She is a small dog and has fur. Fluffy likes her home. In the home, there is a fire. Emily grabs Fluffy and takes her outside. Emily calls the firemen. Then, Emily realized Fluffy was hurt. Emily takes her to the vet. Emily said, "Is she okay?" "Yes she is okay". They went back to her home and she said, "Fireman, what is going to happen to us until our home is fixed?" He said, "You have to stay in a house". The next few weeks, the fireman called and said, "your house is rebuilt, you can come back in your new home".

Tiger Beats Everyone

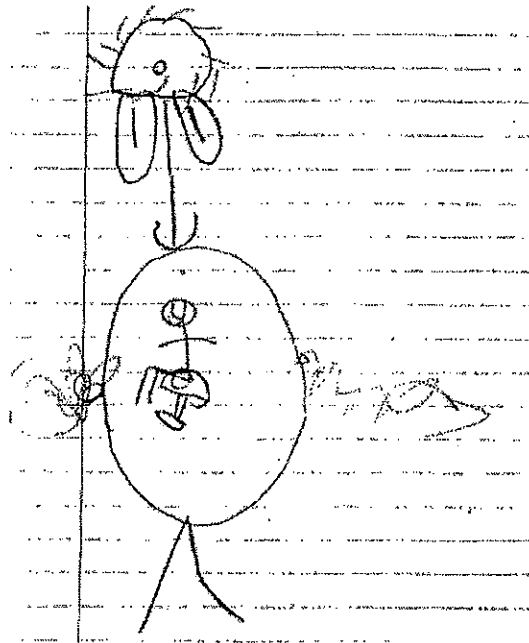
There are 9 million tigers. The tigers are striped and orange. The giant tiger is as big as a water tower. The little tiger is infinity feet. The little tiger is tougher than a wrecking ball and a crane.

The cars can smash, hit, blow up (mini gun), and shoot. The cars are mean.

The alien can be rough. The alien has two eyes on his forehead. The forehead is invisible, so you can see the acorn shaped brain. The alien is 25 feet long. The arms are wimpy and look like squiggles. The alien is as big as a chair on a desk. The arms and legs come out of the giant mouth.

The alien eats the little tigers too. The alien has the tigers in his mouth and is chewing them. The alien spits the tigers out because of the fur.

The tank shoots. The monster crushes. The jeep hits. The alien dies, because the big tiger bit into it.



Magic Lab

Jeff was in his bed and a magic door came up and it was all shiny gold. Jeff yelled for Tom and Tom ran to him. Tom had his jaw open. Jeff ran inside. Tom yelled, "No!" Then Jeff saw motorcycles and Tom saw them too. It was all so cool! There were magic cars that could fly and there were little minions. There was iron armor that was enchanted and that could fly.

About Minecraft

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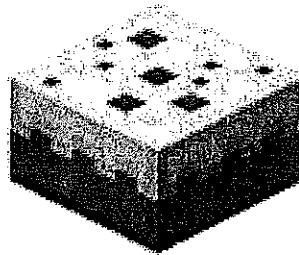
Pg. 3 Swords are really powerful. You can enchant them. Swords can kill stuff like people and animals, anything that can walk.

Pg. 4 Armor is really strong. Armor protects you. If you don't wear armor, it makes the zombies kill you faster. If you do wear armor the zombies have to hit you more times. If you enchant your armor it takes more hits for you to die.

Pg. 5 Food helps you heal. If you are hurt it helps you get your hearts back.

Foods you can eat.

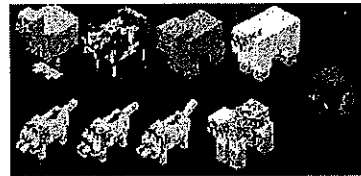
- Carrots
- Corn
- Bread
- Cakes
- APPLE.



Pg. 6 Houses are hard to build if they are big. Chests help you not carry that much stuff.

Pg. 7-8

- Chickens
- Cows
- Horses
- Sheep
- Pigs



Animals are just there. Horses can be your pet. Chickens give you eggs and meat. Cows give you meat and milk. Pigs give you meat. Sheep give you wool. Remember only if you kill you keep the meat. If you kill the sheep you get the wool. And if you don't kill the sheep you can cut their wool off too.

Pg. 9-10 Nethers are big, big castles. You don't have to build it, you just have to find it. You have to go in the portal to find it. There will be a black area with squares and stuff. There is a block with little marks. Look for ones with purple lines and black on it. Look really closely at it, because sometimes it is tricky. To get it press B. There is another thing to find. Look for an upside down hook shape that is black and gray. Left click and the space inside the cubes will turn purple.

SHELLY'S BIRTHDAY PARTY

One day Shelly was swimming around the coral reef looking for something to do because today was a wonderful day. Shelly felt like she forgot something, but she didn't know what. Coraly her friend knew what she forgot so Coraly swam off to tell her friends her special plan. Her friends agreed to but Coraly said, "We can't let Shelly see us. So do you get it? Here I'll say it over again, okay? We're going to throw a surprise party for Shelly, but remember we can't let her see us."

But Andy had a question. "Where are we going to have the birthday party?"

"Okay," said Coraly, "it is going to be at the coral reef in one of those caves okay?"

"Yeah!" everybody yelled.

"Okay," said Coraly. "Dave you get the seaweed, Andy you invite people, Sandy make sure nobody is seen, Chuck you get the food, I'll get the parents, and Mandy you get Shelly when were ready."

"Okay," everybody said.

"Sandy we're ready for you to tell Mandy we're ready," said Coraly.

"Okay," said Sandy. "Mandy get Shelly and meet back at..."

"Okay slow down," said Mandy. "I know where to go and what to do."

"Okay bye," said Sandy.

"Hey Shelly wait up I want you to close your eyes," said Mandy.

"Okay Mandy," said Shelly.

"And keep them closed," said Mandy.

"Okay," said Shelly.

"Okay stay here," said Mandy. Mandy went inside to tell Coraly Shelly was here.

"Okay everybody hide," said Coraly.

Mandy yelled outside to Shelly, "Come in!"

"Surprise!" yelled everyone.

"Thanks so much," said Shelly. "You guys worked so hard! Now I know what I forgot!"

I Wish

I Wish...

I wish I had a star.

I wish I had a phone.

I wish my birthday was everyday.

I wish I had 20 mechanical pencils.

I wish I had a lemon pie.

I wish I had a couch.

I wish I owned a store.

I wish I read more books.

I wish snow was ice cream.

All About Cheetahs

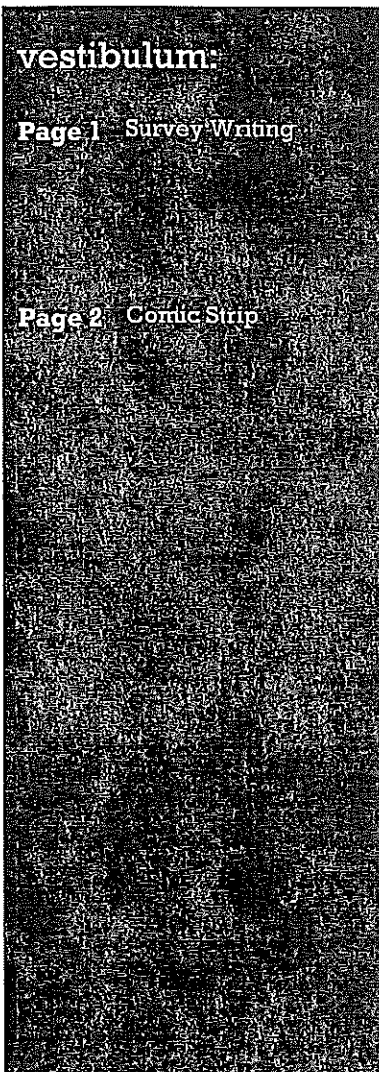
Do you know anything about cheetahs? I can tell you some facts about them. Male cheetahs get up to 7 feet tall. Cheetahs live in Africa and Asia. Cheetahs can go very fast, they can get up to 70 miles per hour! They can get up to 45 miles per hour in two minutes. They eat gazelle, some birds, rabbits and antelope. You can hear cheetahs from miles away because they chirp. Cheetahs are very strong. They bite there pray in the neck as hard as they can. Some cheetahs can be very friendly to people. People need to stop killing cheetahs because they are nice. They can like people if you don't not hurt them. Some cheetahs have big spots. These cheetahs are king cheetahs. I picked to talk about cheetahs because I wanted to learn more about them. We need to save them not kill them.



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Page 1 Survey Writing

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Identifying the Age of Different People Through a Survey

Favorite Quote:

"Success comes in cans: I can, you can, we can."

- I heard this in my 4th grade classroom!

I was asking what is the age of the oldest person you know. I did the survey at north cedar elementary school on February 25, 2014. I interviewed Mrs. Guse, Ms. Deery, Mrs. Klinehart, Sarah, and Mrs. Peters. The youngest person, Ms. Deery, knew the oldest person who was 103. The oldest person, Mrs. Klinehart, knew the youngest person who was 77. If I were to do this survey again I would ask different people so I can get more responses.

Results of Survey Question: What is the age of the oldest person you know?

Name	Person's Age	Age of Oldest Person
Mrs. Guse	39	86
Ms. Deery	26	103
Mrs. Klinehart	55	77
Sarah	39	99
Mrs. Peters	37	87

more on **2**

Jaycob Strong Arms

Hi my name is Jaycob Strong Arms. I am 21 years old. I have short blonde hair. I am 5.9. I have big muscular arms. I have a white cape and my whole outfit is blue and my gloves and boots are red. I have an American flag on my chest. My super powers are I can fly, heat vision, invisible, smart, strong, fast and really really awesome. I am a good person. I live in D.C and I live in the white house.

I am going to be in a hot dog eating contest. It is in 1 hour. Ok do I have all my stuff clean for the contest? Yes! I forgot to tell you I'm eating 1,000 hot dogs. I'm going to be back at 5:00 Mr. Fluffers, my cat. Oh no I can't find my keys! I will break the glass. Red light means stop, green light means go. Oh no again, Mr. Rock is robbing a store. I must turn my minivan into a fast car. There we go! I step on the gas pedal and I fly back. Ok I am right behind him. I will cut him off. Good my plan worked. Mr. Rock you're going to jail "but why?" he said. "Because I said so." I need to get to the contest fast. I get out of the car and start running just in time to eat. Read, Set.... Go! I take a big bite and I eat all 1,000 hot dogs. Jaycob Strong Arms wins!!!!!!

Dinosaurs

The dinosaurs were found in Cedar Falls on the North Cedar building and they were pink and purple with flowers on them. They were long necked dinosaurs. Their behavior is not very good. It looks like they have never be in a world before. They are flying around the North Cedar building saying I am free. They like to dance around and jump on a trampoline in their free time. They all went back to the desert.

Escape From Apple Bay

Ray Ray, Princeton, Berry, Shy Guy, and Jordan were sailing on the speedboat to Apple Bay where they can be safe from the hunters. With one hour left to travel, the boat broke down. After fixing the motor, the horses were able to make it to the shore of Apple Bay. When they got there, they were hungry, so they went to find food. They found apples to eat. After eating the apples, they went back, and found the speedboat was stuck. They decided to stay on the island and explore.

As they were exploring, Berry ran into Montey the monkey and Leap the Leopard. Montey and Leap were the only two other animals on the island. They offered the horses a place to stay and go fishing. They all had to create a net that would lift the horses up to the tree house.

A couple of days later, as they all were walking in the woods, they found human footprints, a gun, and a vial of tranquilizer the hunters used. To find out what the solution in the vial was, they tested it on a cabbage, and it killed the cabbage. They also found a vial of a different solution from another scientist who used to live on the island. They tried that solution on a shrimp, and it turned into a shrimpanzee. The shrimpanzee looks like a monkey without a tail, but it has a shrimp tail. It is orange with white stripes. When the shrimpanzee touched a watermelon, the watermelon turned into a watermelephant. The horses soon figured that whatever foods the foodimals touched, the food turned into a foodimal. Their dog was turned into a hot dog.

A few days later, one of the foodimals got lost, and the hunters found it. The hunters thought that if they kidnapped all of the foodimals, they could make food bars out of them. The hunters started to kidnap some of the foodimals.

When the horses, Montey, and Leap discovered some of the foodimals were missing, they gathered the rest of the foodimals and got meat, fruit, vegetable, and dessert foodimals to help build a machine to get them off the island.

The horses and foodimals took their boat apart and put it back together with some modifications. They added a computer that was programmed to run like a video game controller. The horses worked together to install the computer, while the wild scallions looked out the window to watch for any other lost foodimals. When the horses were done programming and installing the computer, they told Montey, Leap, and the foodimals that someone with opposable thumbs would have to run the computer. Montey took the controls and found out that one of the controls could take them underwater. After they built the machine, the speedboat was very fast, and they named it *Lightning*. Once *Lightning* was finished, they got off the island.

The Fairy Curse

Once upon a time there was a awesome fairy named Mrs. Meier! She was a nice fairy but she put a very very bad curse on the land. And her beautiful prince was on that land. And her beautiful prince was on that land. And the curse was to make everybody a mean nasty ogre. She hasn't done it yet except for today, she finally cursed. She totally forgot that her husband and her kids were on that land! And her kids were supposed to be with her today but she forgot so she put the curse on and now her kids and her husband are very mean ogres. She was trying to figure out something to not make them an ogre so she looked in her curse book. Then she tried it on the tree and she changed the tree into an ogre. She tested out all of the spells on the tree so she tried the first spell in her book. That wasn't it. So she tried through ten and the tenth one worked. Then she changed her kids and her husband back into their old selves and she was so happy but she accidentally did the same spell on them. So she did the same spell again and it happened again! So she changed the kids back into themselves but she forgot her husband again! She finally stopped her husband so now he was changed back into his own self. The end.

Persuasive Letter

Dear Mom,

I need a new pair of shoes. The shoes I have been telling you about. My old ones are too small, my toes are at the end. I can get a size bigger. I will wear them every day. They are very unique. I will also need a new pair for the summer. I only have one pair of flip flops. I will keep my room clean so I don't lose them in my room.

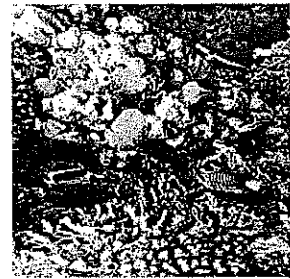
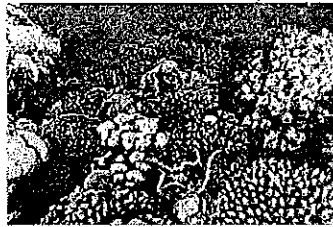
Love your very good kid,

P.S. I love you!

Selected Pages from
Coral Reefs and Dolphins!

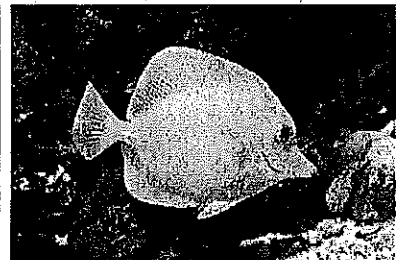
What is a coral reef?

A coral reef is an animal and corals have been around for 400 million years! A coral is hard and soft and small. It is a predator and prey and one thing it eats is plankton. They build coral reefs.



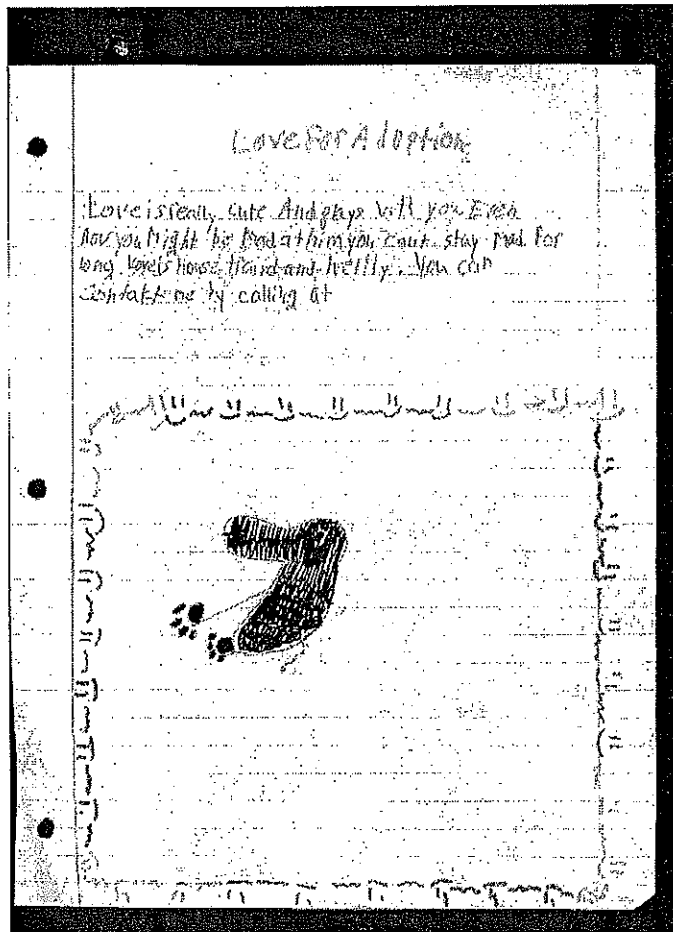
All about animals who live in the coral reef

Animals that live in the coral reef is clown fish, sea anemones and shrimp. Did you know that thousands of plants and animals live in the coral reef? Did you know that people swim in the coral reef? That's scary!



Love for Adoption

Hi, I'm a lab pup and my name is Love. As you can tell I'm a girl. I was found in a cage with five other brothers and sisters. I'm the runt of the litter and all my other brothers and sisters have a home and I'm the only one left without a home. I'm black with a white dot on my nose from when I was a pup. I'm 13 pounds. You can not resist my puppy face it will get you every time. I can fetch a ball. I'm house trained. I only go out side. I can sit and lay. I hope you are my next owner. I'm \$180 or the best offer. You can contact the person who was taking care of me by calling at . . . Her name is Lacey.



Bully

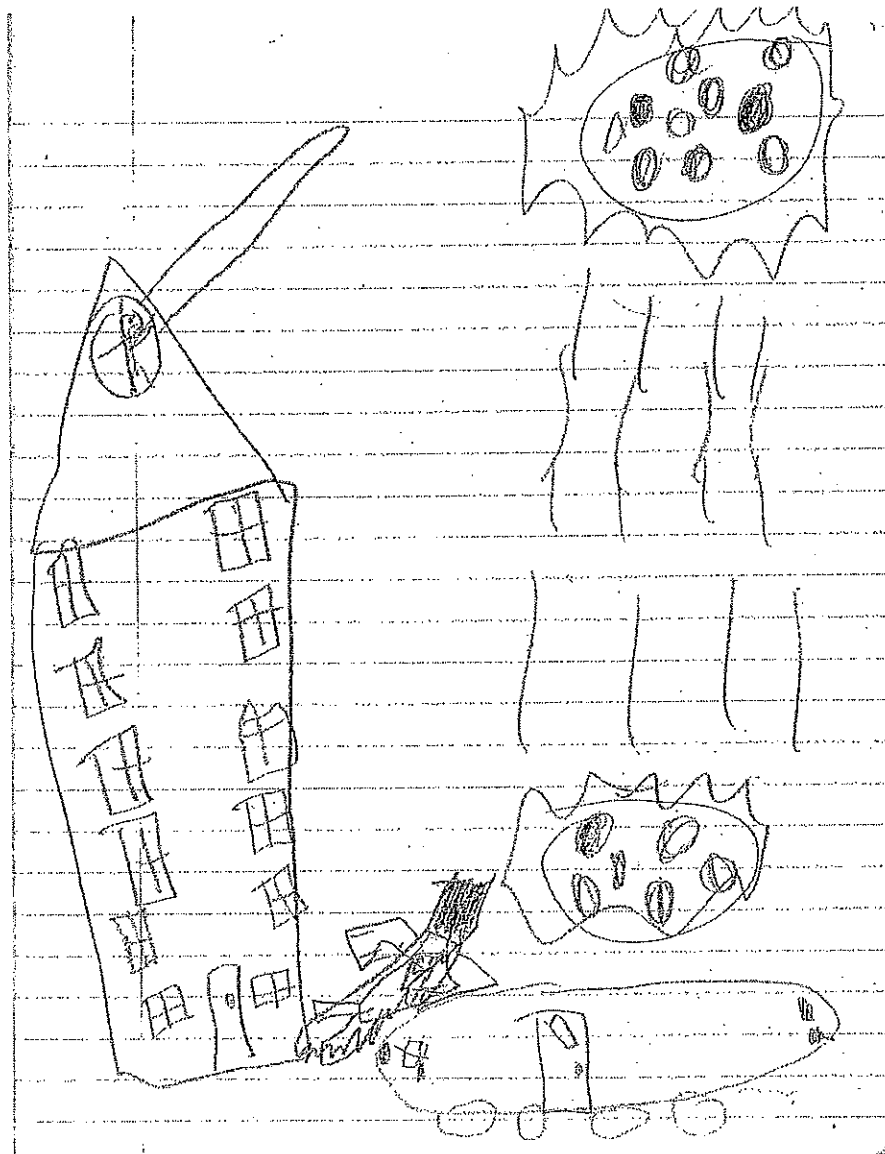
The problem is that Scar is bullying Jimmy and the women at Pride Rock. Jimmy is a lion that was born and raised in a closed habitat. Scar makes Jimmy and the women at Pride Rock get food for Scar and his hyenas. Simba hears that Scar is bullying Jimmy and the women at Pride Rock. Simba runs back to Pride Rock just in time to tell Scar to "Stop!" but Scar roars "No!" at Simba. Then Simba takes all the animals and goes to the forest without Scar and his hyenas. Scar tries to follow the animals but Simba and the Pride Rock lions make a barricade so they can escape.



Super Robot vs. the Meteor Robot

One night inside a house, Robo is looking at the moon in the year 2450. Robo is making a sandwich when a meteor almost lands on his Camaro. He stops the meteor by flying and he uses his super powers heat vision, super toots, and super strength. He saves the day by blowing up the meteor into little pieces.

THE END



Dear Mr. Daniels,

It must of been hard to go through the things that you went through. Aren't you happy that they stopped it? Sorry for the way they treated you. I know it was hard! I should introduce myself. I'm Montana Lynn Eifert. I'm 12 years old. I was born October 29, 2001 and I'm currently in 6th grade at North Cedar School in Cedar Falls, Iowa. It's really heartbreaking to hear what happened to you. I had to pick out of 3 people to write to and I picked you because I wanted to learn more about you!



I have learned a lot about you! You were born in Berlin, Germany in July, 1936. Our birthdays are close together! I'm with a tutor and we are learning about the Holocaust. Its very interesting to me, but very sad. we read the book *Number the Stars* by Lois Lowry and are currently reading the book *Diary of Anne Frank*.

If I could met you I would ask you a lot of questions, if that's OK. What was it like? Did you meet anyone with the same personality as you? Do you still remember it? I hope something like this never happens again. **I will take a stand against it!**

P.S It would be very special to get something back from you or we can even write back and forth!



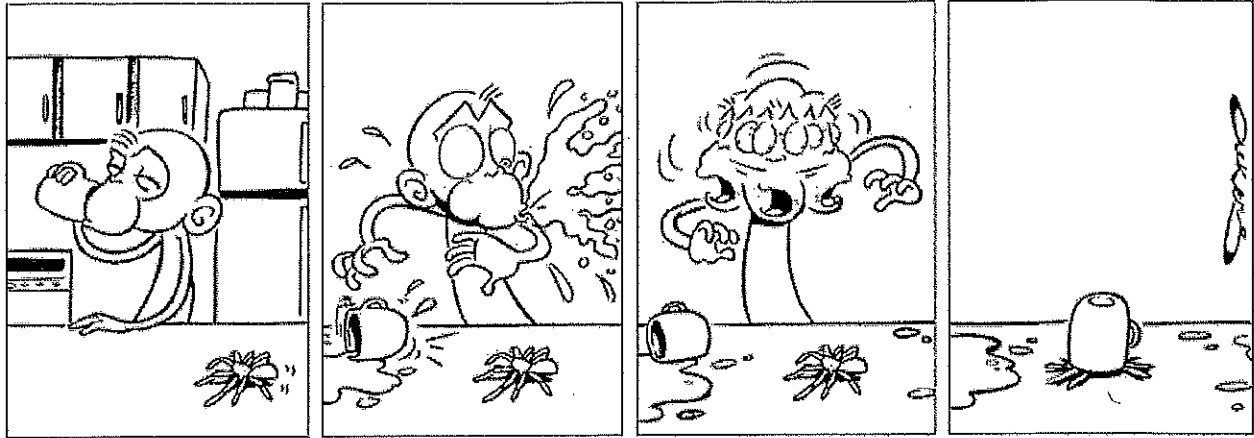
Love,

Abigail

My baby sister is small and cute and sometimes she's mean and pretty. My sister's name is Abby. She has a rattle she likes. She doesn't talk yet. She cries a lot. She can't go in the snow yet.

Green Pickle

I was walking down the street and I found a very soggy green pickle. So I ate it. When I went home very body started calling me a freak and they told me take that costume off. I looked in the mirror and I saw that I was a very soggy pickle. I tried to tell my mom and dad but they just backed up in our neighbor's house trying to get away from me. I went back in side trying to get some help. So I called my brother and said that I was a pickle but all he did was jump out the window. I called 911 they said "911 what's your emergency?" "I'm a pickle!" and they yelled back "don't play on the phone kid!" So I went to play we are super kids and I went to sleep. When I woke up I forgot that I was a pickle. I went to school. I got a yellow note and it said to take off the pickle costume and I just remembered that I'm a pickle. So I thought if I break the pickle it will be gone. I decided to eat myself but I got another yellow note for eating in class. Then I went to the bathroom but when all the girls went to have a birthday party in the bathroom. All the girls started taking picture of me and posting it on Instagram. But soon they left and the bell rang it was time for class but I kept on eating myself. Soon I was done but I got another yellow note for eating in the bathroom. A girl asked me why I had a pickle on my shoe. Mrs. Spore suspended me from school.



Mrs. Bryson gave me this comic strip and asked me to write a silly story about what I saw. She said to make it, "Really, really silly."

This is my story.

One morning, a monkey called Crazy Monkey, was having a drink of super hot cocoa, topped of with thousands of mini marshmallows. He was having a nice cup, and then he saw a HUGE spider. The spider was crawling, and flipping towards him. Crazy Monkey freaked out and started going nuts. Crash! Boom! Bang! He got super crazy, shaking his head back and forth, and then he started getting dizzy. He caught the huge spider with the cup. He grabbed the cup really, really fast - in fact, super-duper fast, and slammed it right on the spider! Then Crazy Monkey ran away and called the cops, he said, "A spider broke into my house! Come and get him!"

The police never came, thinking that it was a crazy call. So then he kept running and he ended up in CHINA!

He stayed in China for many years, until one day, when he came back to his old home. He bought the house that he used to live in, and when he got there, there were trillions of spiders that had taken over his house. He had to learn to live with spiders after all.

Missing in Venice

- *The Mysteries of Harris Burdick*

I think the ship is going to knock down all the buildings and homes. I wonder if they can get out if the ship is not going fast. If there are people in the ship they may get killed too. What if there are seven sharks pulling the string and that's how the ship cannot go through. The bridge is going to break so the people cannot go across it if the ship goes into the canal. I think the people are wondering what is going on.



Trucks

I have diesel in my knowledge and blood. When I was five I knew about trucks. My dad has driven almost every truck in the world. In the future I want to be a truck driver. Nothings in my way.

The Golden Back Phone

Monday

I was walking to school by myself when I saw something shining. I ran up to it and I saw a golden back phone sitting there. It was not broken or smashed. I took it and turned it on, AND it works! I could not wait until school was over. When I got to school I was late and the teacher saw the phone in my hand. Then she took it and said "You will get it back at the end of the year", and of course it was the 2nd week of the school year. So now I was out of ideas for after school.

Tuesday

The next day at school I stole the phone and put a fake one there. Then I froze time and went to Paris. It was kind of boring because everything was frozen but me. I went to a candy shop to get candy. Then I went back to school and unfroze everything. My teacher went to her desk to check if the phone was still there. And I got scared, but I just forgot the fake one was there. After school I was so happy to go home.

Wednesday

This morning I went to go make cereal, while I was getting the cereal and milk I saw that the phone had something called drinks. I clicked on it and it had all sorts of drinks. I clicked on milk and milk came out the bottom and into the bowl. That was so cool! I walked to school when I saw this gang in front of me with a bat. They said, "Give me the phone." I said "no", and froze time and walked to school. I felt so special. I froze time and went to Paris again. Then, BLAM! I saw a person walking. I went up to him and asked him "how can you move"? He said, "I have the same phone as you". There are 5 of them. Him and me are one out of the 5 people with one of these. His name was Eric and he was maybe 14 or 15 years old. Eric and I became friends and spent time going to water parks, theme parks, the zoo, beaches, etc. with our golden back phones!

